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BONE FIXATION SYSTEM

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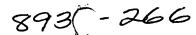
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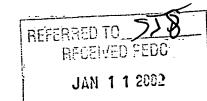
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WHEREAS, WE, Christoph Andreas Roth, a citizen of Germany, residing at 1109 Timberland Drive, West Chester, PA 19380; and Harry T. Hall, IV, a citizen of the United States, residing at 648 Pancoast Lane, Downingtown, PA 19335, ASSIGNORS, are the inventors of the invention in BONE FIXATION SYSTEM for which we have executed an application for a Patent of the United States,

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AND WHEREAS, SYNTHES AG CHUR, ASSIGNEE, having a registered office and place of business at: Grabenstrasse 15, CH-7002 Chur. Switzerland, is desirous of obtaining the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application in all geographic locations except the United States and its possessions and territories, Canada and its possessions and territories, the Bahamas, and Bermuda, (hereinafter "the excluded geographic locations")

AND WHEREAS, SYNTHES (USA), ASSIGNEE, a General Partnership existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and having a place of business at 1690 Russell Road, Paoli, PA 19301, is desirous of obtaining our entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention and the said application in the excluded geographic locations:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, we, the said ASSIGNORS, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over: (1) unto the said SYNTHES (USA), its successors, legal representatives and assigns, our entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention in the excluded geographic locations, and the said United States application and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Patents of the United States which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof; and all applications for industrial property protection in the excluded geographic locations, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country in the excluded geographic locations, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for the same the priority rights derived from said United States application under the Patent Laws of the United States, the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable; and all forms of industrial property protection in the excluded geographic locations, including, without limitation, patents, utility models, inventors' certificates and designs which may be granted for said invention in any country in the excluded geographic locations and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof, and (2) unto the said SYNTHES AG CHUR, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in, to and under the said invention in all geographic locations except the excluded geographic locations; and all applications for industrial property protection in all geographic locations except the excluded geographic locations, including, without limitation, all applications for patents, utility models, and designs which may hereafter be filed for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States in all geographic locations except the excluded geographic locations, together with the right to file such applications and the right to claim for the same the priority rights derived from said United States application under the Patent Laws of the United States, the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, or any other international agreement or the domestic laws of the country in which any such application is filed, as may be applicable; and all forms of industrial property protection in all geographic locations except the excluded geographic locations, including, without limitation, patents, utility models, inventors' certificates and designs which may be granted for said invention in any country or countries foreign to the United States and all extensions, renewals and reissues thereof;

AND WE HEREBY authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and any Official of any country or countries foreign to the United States, whose duty it is to issue patents or other evidence or forms of industrial property protection on applications as aforesaid, to issue the same to the respective ASSIGNEES, their successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND WE HEREBY covenant and agree that we have full right to convey the entire interest herein assigned, and that we have not executed, and will not execute, any agreement in conflict herewith.

AND WE HEREBY further covenant and agree that we will communicate to the said ASSIGNEES, their successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing, reissue and foreign applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do everything possible to aid the said ASSIGNEES, their successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention in all countries.

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